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November 1, 1965

Groundbreaking ceremonies for a new science and classroom building at the University of Minnesota, Morris were held recently even though the building is already under construction. The ceremonies were postponed until UMM's Homecoming so that alumni and former students as well as many friends of the University from the area could be present for the occasion. The structure will house biology laboratories, a chemistry laboratory, science and mathematics division and classrooms. It is scheduled for completion by next fall.

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October 25, 1965

Groundbreaking ceremonies for a new science and classroom building at the University of Minnesota, Morris were held Saturday afternoon. Turning the first shovelfuls of dirt for the occasion were, from left to right, Dr. Robinson S. Abbott, chairman of the division of science and mathematics at UMM; E. J. LaFave, Jr., president of the West Central Educational Development Association; Christian Kamrud, president of the UMM Alumni Association; Dale Haack, director of plant services at UMM, and Dean Rodney A. Briggs, who was wielding the fifth shovel on Dr. Robinson's right. ~~Maxham~~ Construction is already underway on the building which is scheduled for completion by next fall.

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Morris, Minnesota

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October 22, 1965

The University of Minnesota, Morris will break ground for its second new building today (Saturday). The ceremony will take place beside the 60- by 120-foot, by 10-foot deep excavation where work is already in progress on the building.

The groundbreaking ceremony was postponed until Homecoming so that UMM alumni and many University of Minnesota friends from the area could be present. It will follow UMM's 1:30 p.m. Homecoming game.

The \$946,000 science and classroom building will house biology laboratories, and introductory chemistry laboratory, the science and mathematics division offices and classrooms.

Architects for the structure are Carl Graffunder and Associates, Minneapolis. The general contract went to Engelen Twin City Company of Springfield; Hopperts Plumbing and Heating of Wahpeton, North Dakota, got the mechanical work; and the electrical installation contract went to Edling Electric, Fergus Falls.

The Minnesota Legislature appropriated two-thirds of the amount needed to construct the building, and the remainder came from federal funds.

Current work on the building is the sinking of prepack concrete pilings on which the structure will rest. The building is scheduled for completion by next fall.

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